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Special Police Force for Safety of Tourists
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian Institute of Travel and Tourism Management has recommended the creation of a Special Police Force with uniforms sporting Incredible India Logo, for the safety of tourists;
(b) if so, the details thereof;
(c) whether the said Tourist Police will be administered by the Union Government or the State Government and if so, the details thereof;
(d) whether tourism sector in India is creating employment in conformity with tourism policy which is expected to almost double in a decade; and
(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a), (b) & (c): IITTM in its study titled "Functioning of Tourist Police in States/UTs and Documentation of Best Practices" has recommended introduction of the Tourist Police with uniforms sporting Incredible India Logo for the safety and security of the tourists.

It has been recommended that the Tourist Police should work under the control of District Police Administration of the concerned State with policing power exclusively for maintaining the safety and security of tourist.

(d) & (e): As per the 2nd Tourism Satellite Account of India (TSA) - 2009-10 and subsequent estimation for the next three years, the contribution of tourism to total Employment of the Country during 2009-10, 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13 was 10.17% (4.37% direct and 5.80% indirect), 10.78% (4.63% direct and 6.15% indirect), 11.49% (4.94% direct and 6.55% indirect) and 12.36% (5.31% direct and 7.05% indirect), respectively.

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